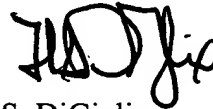


### REMARKS

In the Office Communication dated February 24, 2004, the Examiner states that the required corrected drawings were not submitted in Applicants response dated December 3, 2003. Applicants provide herewith substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.85(a).

In view of the foregoing Amendment and the Remarks, and further in view of Applicants response filed on December 3, 2003, the subject case is in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

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